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| For: SYSTEM FOR MAINTAINING<br>BODY CANAL PATENCY AND<br>METHOD THEREOF | )                          |

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of January 31, 2005.

The claims are calculated below:

|  | Claims Remaining<br>After Amendment |   | Highest Number<br>Previously Paid | Present<br>Extra | Rate    | Additional<br>Fee |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------|
| Total  | 44                                  | - | 43                                | 1                | x \$ 50 | 50.00             |
| Indep.                                       | 5                                   | • | 5                                 | 0                | x \$200 | 0                 |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) |                                     |   |                                   |                  | +\$360  | 0                 |
|  |                                     |   |                                   |                  | TOTAL   | \$ 50.00          |

A fee of \$50.00 to cover the cost of the additional claim added by this reply is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: April 29, 2005

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**Mail Stop Amendment** 

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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action dated January 31, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this Amendment.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this Amendment.

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